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2009-2010 Experienced & Emerging Leaders Cohort Retreat

New Castle, IN (December 9, 2011) – The Indiana Department of Correction’s Correctional Training Institute hosted the 2009-2010 Experienced and Emerging Leaders Cohort Retreat on December 8-9, 2011. Attendees participated in a variety of presentations and discussions including leadership strategies, communication and support, recruitment and retention of staff, organizational health, and solution-oriented approaches to challenges facing the Department.

Executive Director Richard Curry, Staff Development Emergency Operations, congratulated and thanked the 48 graduates noting, “This has been great, a great two days and experience you can take back to your facilities.”

Michael Osburn, Deputy Commissioner of Operations for the IDOC, applauded the graduates stating, “This is a great opportunity for emerging leaders and a great opportunity for the Department.” Mr. Osburn went on to say, “The Department and Superintendents are looking for solutions to many challenges. EEL is an excellent program which helps provide balance and diversity to understanding the issues and needs, while facilitating solutions to our challenges.”

Congratulations to all the graduates! The graduates include: Kimberly Bernacki, Christian Blakey, Shannon Bowling, Andy Bullins, Ron Bumgardner, Gerald Carter, Willis Cooper, William Creamean, John Cruz, Adam Daum, Andy Dunigan, Darrell Fox, Jason Fuller, Don Goffinet, Mavis Grady, Richard Gray, Amanda Hall, Tommie Horne, Brenda Jackson-Nalls, David Jevyak, Laurie Johnson, Troy Keith, Steve Gallegos, Vanessa Krause, David Liebel, Antionette Lucente, Kristopher Main, Jennifer Matson, MaryAnna Moore, Tilmer Paulson, Amanda Pirtle, Jeff Pitcher, Michael Rains, Traci Riggle, Ellen Sheets, Michael Smith, Shawn Smith, Jamey Sperle, Richard Stevenson, Brian Stoner, Danny Tucker, Frank Vanihel IV, Natalie Walker, Monika Whitley, Robert Wright, Alison Yancey, and Tanya Zimmerman. (See attached photo)